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Dear Mr. Ashcroft:

There appears to be an opportunity to settle the Microsoft antitrust case now. In view of all the other pressing matters facing us, I would urge you to finalize the Microsoft case as soon as possible.

My request is not made because I like Microsoft, but because I feel they were shaken down by the previous administration. Their crime was standardizing and promoting software that the entire world liked and used- except for a few of their competitors! These products increased US productivity greatly and the price was reasonable.

It was a very sad day when the Clinton DOJ attacked one of the crown jewels of American technology and helped accelerate the decline in the US equity market. I pray you will do the right thing and close this bad chapter as soon as possible. Thanking you, I remain

Sincerely,

John S. Jones

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